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Carnival Mask Guideline Announcement

U.S. Virgin Islands - The St. Thomas Carnival Season is drawing near, and the Virgin Islands Police Department would like to advise the public, event promoters and carnival vendors that **no ski masks or full-face covering masks** will be allowed during the St. Thomas Carnival season of events, specifically J’ouvert.

Individuals observed wearing a full-face covering or ski mask, will be asked to have the mask removed as a security measure. Anyone who refuses to comply will not be able to participate in any carnival event while wearing a mask. With good reason, some individuals would prefer to protect themselves from contracting any ailments such as COVID-19, and as such, COVID-19 regulated masks are allowed for personal protection as directed by Governor Albert Bryan, Jr. and the Department of Health.

As the VIPD prepares for the carnival season, we highly encourage the community’s cooperation to ensure the carnival season is safe for all to enjoy.

Please see mask illustration attached for clarification on acceptable masks.

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